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BRIEF CITY NEWS.

Mrs. E. F. Weller of Maitland, Mo., is the guest of her son, J. H. Weller. Mrs. Nellie Miller, 535 Alabama, returned home, Saturday, after an extended visit in Shannon City, Iowa.

AMUSEMENTS.

At the Crystal. It was a decidedly clever and entertaining bill which opened at the Crystal yesterday to fair audiences. The Famous Nelsons are easily the headline feature with one of the most original acts ever presented in a local theater.

WILL ENTERTAIN.

Mrs. H. W. Westover entertained this afternoon in honor of Miss Lucile Ford of Memphis, Tenn. Those invited were Marietta Motter, Margaret Walker, Louise Kemper, Miss Berton of Kansas City, Lucy Lucy, Jean Dale Marshall, Marion Dolman, Grace Stringfellow, Elizabeth Powell, Katherine Davis, Josephine Clark, Katherine Moore, Juanita Trimbley, Mildred Nash, Dorothy Vanleit, Mary Lucy, Agnes Gilbert and Dixie Bordner.

INJURED BOY BETTER.

Arthur Rousey, the 13-year-old youth who was accidentally shot last Thursday morning, by a boy companion with a blank pistol, is improving greatly. Dr. C. F. Byrd, who is attending the injured youth, says that his eyesight will not be impaired by the powder, which lodged in the face. Most of the powder has been removed. Several of the remaining grains will be removed from the eyes this morning.

ASSAULTS WITH HOOK.

Grabbing a meat hook in one of the packing houses Saturday afternoon, Andrew Oimsted assaulted John Gimps, a Pole, and severely beat him. He was arrested by Sergeant Weber on a state warrant charging him with assault. He pleaded guilty to the charge before Justice Craig later in the afternoon and was fined \$10 and costs, which he paid.

SAMPSON WON BADGE.

J. H. Sampson won the badge at the Metropolitan Gun club's shoot at Lake Donny yesterday with a score of 25 shots straight and also captured the high average with a score of 93 out of 100. Roy Yates was second with 91 hits out of 100.

The alfalfa crop will never wear out the soil.

CALUMET CLUB PICNICS.

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The picknickers were conveyed to the grounds in two large wagons. An elaborate dinner was served in accordance with the rules for outing. Among those who made up the party were: Misses Edna Vance, Agnes Ennis, Katherine Dougher, Bettie Clark, Edith Means, Marie Carlson, Ruby Phillips, Jennie Powell, Ferdia Rudy, Maude Enoch, Pearl Emmerson, Josephine Williams, Bess Key, Louise Weyer, Marie Jerabek, Leona Glenn; Messrs. Louis Davis, T. A. Thrift, G. E. Hill, H. E. Hutton, J. E. Petterman, William Petterman, E. E. Vance, R. C. Vance, J. T. Lewis, P. G. Emmerson, W. M. Brashear, M. F. Mabin, M. R. McMahon, C. G. Hitchcock, G. W. Hall, J. F. Rock, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Breitweiser, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Finney, Mr. and Mrs. Lee James, Miss Ethel Emmerson and B. W. Peterson.

DEATH OF FATHER.

While in Pulpit Rev. Hampton Receives Bad News.

Two minutes after receiving a telegram, apprising him of the death of his father, Samuel S. Hampton of Monroe City, Mo., Rev. J. E. Hampton, pastor of the Pates Park Baptist church, yesterday afternoon delivered one of the most eloquent addresses ever heard in the church. The occasion was the annual memorial services of the Qld Fellowship, and, in any of the many persons who comprised the audience, knew that the speaker had a few minutes before learned of one of the greatest bereavements of his life. Rev. Hampton led at 9 o'clock last night over the Burlington for Monroe City, where his father's funeral is to be held Tuesday.

GREATNESS OF KANSAS.

The report of the board of the United States department of agriculture announced without emotion that 18.4 per cent of the country's acreage of winter wheat is corralled in the state of Kansas. That is the way the thing is done in tables, but winter wheat, no matter how hard it is, may touch the spirit of man and his imagination. Out in Topeka there is a department of agriculture also, and Secretary Coburn is still making statistics vital. Scouring the vague and to most people meaningless method of percentages, he says: "In 1907 Kansas produced more wheat than all New England, Illinois, Iowa and eleven additional states and territories," says the Inter-Ocean.

That is for quantity, and now for quality. "Much of the Kansas wheat goes to mills in other states for mixing with and up the products made from the famous soft wheats of the northwest." The word "famous" is mollifying, and perhaps the northwest will feel thoroughly toned up after the Kansas compliment. At any rate, the compliment seems to have a hardening tendency when taken in conjunction with other Kansas pointers. But it does not exhaust Mr. Coburn's enthusiasm. He returns to the acreage and heightens the effect by adding Porto Rico to the combination of the unsuccessful rivals of Kansas. This, however, is only to suggest the possibilities in the comparative method, for he might have added Greenland, which is long on area and short on wheat. But we are not disposed to pick flaws in the near-perfect, and we do not yield to Mr. Coburn himself in admiration of Kansas. We shall not even retort upon him in a friendly way by applying the comparative method to the crops of Illinois and turning Kansas over to a hopeless combination of eleven or twenty-odd struggling commonwealths. We prefer rather to pass a good thing along, to carry these glad tidings to all men:

COST OF RAISING WHEAT.

Live Stock World: Uncle Sam is trying now to find just how much it really costs to grow a bushel of wheat. Then he is going to find how many loaves of bread equal a bushel of wheat. And, after he knows both these, he will see how much "margin of profit" is appropriated by the middleman and how much goes for "transportation" and similar incidentals. Several hundred thousand circulars have been sent by the department of agriculture to farmers in the northwest asking them how much they pay for seed, how much for fertilizer, how much for preparing the ground, and 'all the steps in the process of getting the bushel of wheat to market. The last inquiry of this sort that was made brought some interesting returns. Here is the way it figured out: For one acre the farmer reported spending: Land rent, \$2.51; manure, \$2.16; preparing the ground, \$1.87; seed, \$0.66; sowing, \$0.87; marketing, \$0.76. Total, \$11.69. Average yield per acre, 13 bushels.

According to these figures there was little or no margin of profit for the farmer. The price of wheat at the farm or nearest market, at the time the inquiry was made, was about 90c a bushel. In other words, he received about \$12.68 for what cost him to raise \$11.69. The figures have been criticized. Some point out that \$2.51 an acre is too much to charge for rent, especially as many farmers own their farms. Also

most wheat growers in the new land of the northwest use no fertilizer, and to charge \$2.16 an acre for this item is said to be excessive. The price is based on the price received at the nearest market, which is usually a branch elevator located on the railroad near the farm. The 76c for marketing is supposed to cover the teaming to this elevator. The average price for wheat in May, 1908, at the market nearest the farm is reported to the department as 89c.

BEANS.

Beans are easy to grow, but inexperienced gardeners often fail in their first crop by planting the seed before the ground has become warm and dry. No vegetable seed will decay more quickly than the bean. Delay in waiting for the soil to dry out in the spring will be more than made up by the rapidity of growth when the beans are planted correctly.

Beans will grow in almost any soil, but the best results are obtained by having rich, well worked ground. The beans may be dropped in drills one inch deep, the seeds to lie three inches apart. Cover with soil and firm with the back of a hoe. For bush varieties allow eighteen to twenty-four inches between drills. For the dwarf limas two and a half feet is better. Limas should not be planted until the weather is warm. Pole limas are usually planted in hills two or three feet apart in the rows. Dwarf limas may be sown in the drills.

Numerous varieties of both the green podded and the wax bean are used for eating with the pod while tender. The various strains of the black wax are the most profitable string bean. The old fashioned cranberry or horticulture lima type is probably the best shell bean, but the trouble of peeling it makes it unpopular. Both the dwarf limas and the pole limas require a longer season to mature than the bush varieties and only one planting is usually made. The bush varieties may be planted at intervals until August 30. Each planting may be made on ground previously occupied by some early maturing crop.

MIRACLE OF AGRICULTURE.

Indianapolis Star: The growing of the corn crop is one of the miracles of agriculture, one of the annual wonders of the farm. Broad acres of bare, brown soil are made ready, the seed corn is dropped in long rows and is left to the fortune of vagrating things. Its enemies interfere with it—the predatory crow, the outworn, the field mouse, the frost and the flood, but in spite of them all it grows. One morning almost before he expects it the watchful farmer sees the leaves peeping out of the ground. A week and it is tall enough to waive in the wind. Pass that way two or three weeks later and the ground is scarcely visible; after another brief time the stalks are breast high, hence high then above the heads of the tallest men.

Between the rows an army might march and hide. It is like an army itself, with its long ranks of swaying stalks. Its blossom time comes, then its fruitage, and by August that wonderful, swift tropical growth has wrought its miracle, has achieved its purpose, and the crop of grain is ripening in the husks—a very triumph of vegetation, a joy to all the world. The whispering rustle of its ripening leaves is like a song then to the appreciative ear because of the gift offered to mankind. The cornfield is a marvel at every stage, a yearly delight and astonishment. We value it, all of us, for the profit it brings in dollars and cents and for the pleasure it offers to the palate, but do we all appreciate the wonder of it as we should.

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- Following is a list of the commission merchants in the Live Stock exchange at the St. Joseph stock yards: Blanchard, Rush & Co., rooms 226-228. Byers Bros. & Co., rooms 202-204. Clay, Robinson & Co., rooms 229-230-231-232-233. Cox, Jones Live Stock Commission Co., room 229. Crider Bros. & Co., rooms 302-304. Daily, C. M. & Co., rooms 317-319. Davis & Son, rooms 206-208-210-216-217. Johnson & Son, rooms 205-207. Kansas City Live Stock Commission Co., rooms 224-228. Knollin Sheep Co., rooms 218-221-223. Lee Live Stock Commission Co., rooms 209-210-211-212. Missouri Live Stock Commission Co., rooms 201-203. Nichols, Gilchrist & Co., rooms 221-222. Nye, Schneider, Fowler Co., rooms 306-308-315. National Live Stock Commission Co., rooms 228-239-340. Prey Bros. & Cooper, rooms 318-322. Russell Live Stock Commission Co., rooms 212-314. Stewart & Durrant, rooms 229-230-231. Sager & Young, rooms 232-234-235. St. Joseph Live Stock Commission Co., rooms 212-214. Tagg Bros., rooms 337-339. Thompson, Drinkard & Emmert, rooms 309-310-211-313.

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FLOOD BULLETIN

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its maturity before frost. The varieties of corn classed in seed catalogues as 100-day corn, such as the Learning, Reid, Early Mastodon, Iowa Goldmine, Legal Tender, Silvermine, Boone County White, White Pearl, etc., mature in about 110 to 120 days, and these varieties may be planted as late as June 15 with a fair promise of a good crop. Such varieties as the Pride of the North, King of the Earliest, Dakota Dent, Minnesota King and Early Flint varieties, the so-called 90-day corns, may be planted after June 15 until July 1 with a reasonable promise of a crop, assuming September 25 as being the possible date of the first killing frosts. June planted corn ought to be a safe crop as far as injury from frost is concerned.

Northern-grown seed may mature earlier than Kansas-grown seed of the same variety, but the home-grown seed will usually give the larger yield. Nebraska or Iowa-grown corn gives good results from late planting in Kansas.

Sorghums.

Kafir corn really requires a longer period to fully mature seed than many varieties of corn commonly grown in this state. The Black Hulled White Kafir corn, the common variety, will mature seed in 110 to 125 days, depending upon the season. Red Kafir corn is somewhat more leafy and may be preferred for fodder. This variety matures a few days earlier than the Black Hulled White, but yields a little less seed. Dry or cool weather may check the growth of Kafir corn and cause it to mature several weeks after than its ordinary season. Dwarf Milo is less valuable for fodder than Kafir corn, but produces good yields of grain similar to Kafir grain, and will mature seed in about 100 days.

Jerusalem corn and brown durra are of less value than Kafir or Milo, both for grain and fodder, but these crops mature early and produce well in the drier western counties of the state. Such varieties of corn as Early Amber, Black Dwarf and Folger will mature seed in a favorable season in about 100 days. Later maturing varieties, such as the Kansas Orange, Coleman, Red Top, and White sorghum, require 110 to 120 days to mature seed. There is usually a sale at a good price for a limited quantity of cane seed for late planting, for forage and pasture.

Kafir corn and cane are not as good crops for late planting for the production of grain or seed as corn. Early Amber cane and Red Kafir corn planted June 19, 1908, were nearly mature when cut and shocked on October 8, but made rather low yields of seed and stover, due in part to this stand. Date of planting trials with Black Hulled White Kafir corn and Orange cane were carried on at this station in 1905 and in 1906. Plantings made after June 30 in 1905 did not mature seed fully before frost. The largest yields both of seed and fodder were produced from late May and early June plantings. The late plantings yielded less fodder and only about half as much seed as the earlier plantings. The average yields by the several plantings from May 19 to June 5 compare as follows:

Kafir corn, 5.35 tons stover and 47.24 bushels grain per acre. Cane, 7.56 tons stover and 25 bushels grain per acre. The average yields by the several plantings from June 9 to June 25 were as follows: Kafir corn, 2.89 tons stover and 26.86 bushels grain per acre. Cane, 5.29 tons stover and 12.61 bushels grain per acre. Thus it appears that corn is a safer and more profitable crop for planting late for grain production than Kafir corn or cane. If Kafir-corn fails to make good grain it may make good fodder, but this is true of cane, also.

During the past five years corn has outyielded Kafir-corn at this station, the average yields comparing as follows: Corn (ten best producing varieties), 66.92 bushels per acre.

IF YOU ARE GOING TO DENVER. Secure your Sleeping Car berth on the Official train to the Democratic National Convention, via St. Joseph & Grand Island Railway. A special through train composed of Pullman Standard and Pullman Tourist Sleeping Cars, Baggage, Commissary and Dining Cars, which will leave St. Joseph Union Station 9 P. M., July 4.

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Table listing various curtain and fabric items with prices. Items include Ruffled Muslin Curtains, Ruffled Bobbinet, Nottingham Lace, Cluny Lace, Brussels net, Irish Point, Arabian Curtains, etc.

Ask to see the new Wageley Shade Stop, which prevents shades from pulling off roller. Sold here only.

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Kafir-corn (average yield of Red and White), 53.61 bushels per acre. Corn, 53.61 bushels per acre. Feeding value than Kafir-corn. If the grain is desired rather than the fodder, and good seed of an early or medium early maturing variety can be secured, then plant corn after June 15 rather than Kafir-corn or sorghum.

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CAUSED A RUMPUS

STORY OF ONE SMALL DOG AND ONE UMBRELLA

Mrs. McIntosh's Absent-Mindedness and Puppy's Ability for Making Trouble Sadly Disturbed the Peaceful Congregation.

We had a little excitement in our church a few Sundays ago. Mrs. McIntosh is remarkable for her singular absence of mind. Dr. Potts, the preacher, was reading from the Scriptures the account of the deluge, and when he came to the story of how it rained for so many days and nights Mrs. McIntosh became so deeply absorbed in the narrative and so strongly impressed with it that she involuntarily put up her umbrella and held it over her head as she sat in the pew.

Mrs. Butterwick, who sits in the next pew in front, always brings her dog to church with her, and when Mrs. McIntosh suddenly raised her umbrella the action affected the sensibilities of Mrs. Butterwick's dog in such a manner that he began to bark furiously. Then the sexton came in and tried to remove the animal, but it dodged into a vacant pew on the other side of the aisle and defied him, barking all the time most vociferously.

Then the sexton became indignant and flung a hymn book at the dog; whereupon the dog flew out and bit him on the leg. The hubbub in the church was by this time, of course, something simply dreadful. Not only was the story of the deluge interrupted, but the wicked boys in the gallery actually "sicked" the dog at the sexton, and seemed to enjoy the contest exceedingly.

Then Deacon Jones came after the dog with his walking stick; whereupon the animal actually dashed toward the pulpit, and ran up the steps in such a fierce manner that Dr. Potts all at once mounted on the chair to get out of the way of the beast, and he said that if this disgraceful scene did not soon come to an end he should dismiss the congregation. Then Deacon Jones crept up the steps, and after a short struggle he seized the dog by the hind leg and walked down the aisle with him, the dog meanwhile yelping with supernatural energy.

Mrs. McIntosh turned around to watch the retreating deacon, and as she did so she permitted her umbrella to drop over so that the end of one of the ribs caught in Mrs. Butterwick's bonnet. A minute later, when she straightened up the umbrella, the bonnet was wrenched off and hung dangling from the umbrella. Mrs. Butterwick had become exceedingly warm, at any rate, over the onslaught made against her dog, but when Mrs. McIntosh removed her bonnet she fairly boiled over and, turning around white with rage, she screamed:

"What did you grab that bonnet for, you green-eyed catamount? Ain't you made enough fuss in this yer tabernacle to-day skooking a poor, innocent dog, without snatching off such bonnets as the likes of you can't afford to wear, no matter how crazy you are, you red-headed lunatic you! You let my bonnets alone, or I'll warm you with this parasol, even if it is in meeting, now mind me!"

Then Mrs. McIntosh seemed to realize that her umbrella made her conspicuous, so she flung it and concluded to go home. And as she stepped into the aisle Mrs. Butterworth gave her this parting salute:

"Sneaking off before the collection, too. You'd better spend less for jewelry and give more to the poor heathen. If you don't want to ketch it hereafter."

Then she began to fan herself furiously, and as things became calmer Dr. Potts resumed the story of the flood.

Mrs. McIntosh has moved into a back parsonage because the deacons requested Mrs. Butterworth to leave her dog at home she has succeeded from the Presbyterians, and she now declares that the Lutheran faith is the only religion for her.—N. Y. Weekly.

Curious Almshouse.

The most curious almshouse in England is St. Mary's hospital at Chichester. There eight old ladies live actually in the church, a fine building dating from 1580. It was originally a monastery, but Queen Elizabeth turned it into an almshouse to endure as long as almshouses exist. The old ladies have two neat little rooms each down the sides of the main church, with windows looking out on the garden. They each have a coal supply, a kitchen range, water and gas. At a chapel daily services are held. The choir stalls are beautifully carved old oak, the original seats that the monks used.

Stringing Her.

"That's queer," said Miss Gull, puzzling over the city directory, "I'm sure that's the name Mr. Kidder gave me, but I can't find it."

"What's that?" asked Miss Chumley.

"Why, we were talking about fortune tellers and he said the best and surest one in town was named Bradstreet, but I can't find her at all."

An Adept at it.

The art photographer had visited the farm.

"I want to make an exhaustive study of this particular bit of landscape," he said, "and would like to have your hired man retain his present position on the fence there. Can he sit still?"

"For days at a time," replied the farmer.

WITHOUT A THOUGHT OF FEAR.

Behavior of American Troops in the Face of Awful Death.

One of the most remarkable events in the annals of American arms occurred at Fort Crook, Neb., the other day when a tornado struck the place. As the dispatches tell the story: "When the officers realized that a tornado had struck the post 600 men of the Sixth regiment were brought to battalion formation and in the midst of flying slate roofs and other debris they were marched across the parade ground to the substantial buildings, where they were put at rest, and took to the cellars. The fort was damaged to the extent of \$100,000."

History and fiction alike have dwelt upon the dauntless spirit of men who have manifested their willingness to "charge the gates of hell or scale the heights of heaven," but doubtless no better illustration of this spirit was ever given than when this devoted band of American soldiers at Fort Crook formed ranks to "do or die" together in the face of a resistless tornado, says the Kansas City Journal.

Those who have never viewed the fury of one of these terrible outbursts of the angry elements cannot imagine the dreadful reality of the scene, with the darkness intensified by blinding flashes of lightning, the terrors of the storm multiplied by the terrific crashes of heaven's artillery, and the air filled with swirling clouds which hide all else but the awful figure of death, the ghastly funnel-shaped cloud which makes gigantic leaps along the ground, uprooting trees and whirling houses, animals and human beings through the air on the wings of the death-dealing wind.

It is a sight to appal the stoutest heart and to cause the human mind to realize the utter impotence of man in the presence of angry nature. The charge of the Six Hundred at Balaklava was a trivial incident of military duty compared with the steadfast discipline of the 600 American soldiers at Fort Crook, who coolly formed in line and braved the tornado's fury as though it were a matter of mere routine duty.

Metallic Mirrors.

The production of metallic mirrors for searchlights and other such uses is now in demand in Europe. Those made of glass, now used, are objectionable owing to their liability to fracture when the guns are fired on ships, and to the silvering on the mirrors blistering and separating from the glass. A new metallic mirror, made partly by electro-deposition, is being introduced. The mirror has a surface composed of alternate bands or rings of gold and white reflecting surfaces. It is claimed that this mirror gives a more penetrating beam of light, both at night and in foggy weather; that objects on which such a beam of light is thrown stand out in greater relief than in a light thrown from a silver white metal mirror, and that the intensity of the light is so great that it is impossible to aim accurately at the projector. Another advantage claimed for the new mirrors is that they are not fractured by concussion, and that even when penetrated by bullets the area of distortion is very small.

German Public Schools.

According to the last official reports there are 61,198 public schools in Germany, attended by 9,779,356 pupils, or 94 per cent. of all German children of school age, leaving only six per cent. of all other schools, including home training. Since 1901 the school attendance shows an increase of 9.1 per cent. During the same time male teachers show an increase of 10.6 per cent. and female teachers an increase of 30.5 per cent. The annual average cost per pupil for public school education has increased from \$11.20 in 1901 to \$12.86 in 1906. The average number of pupils to each teacher was 53 in 1905, some having as high as 85 pupils and others as low as 33.

Making Electrical Engineers.

In the great shops of a well-known electrical company are some 300 young men, clad in workmen's garments, assembling small apparatus and testing dynamos, transformers, railway motors and lighting appliances of every description.

Feet.

The French foot is narrow and long. The Spanish foot is small and elegantly curved. That of the Arab is proverbial for its high arch. The foot of the Scotch is high and thick; that of the Irish flat and square; the English, short and fleshy. When Athens was in her zenith, the Grecian foot was the most perfectly formed and exactly proportioned of any of the human race. Swedes, Norwegians and Germans have the largest feet. Americans the smallest.

Anxious for Microbes.

The Man—I'd give anything if you would kiss me. The Maid—But the scientists say that kisses breed disease. The Man—Oh, never mind that. Go ahead, and make me an invalid for life.

KEEN IN BUSINESS

ANCIENTS NOT INFERIOR TO TRAINED MEN OF TO-DAY.

Tablets Found in Ruins of Babylon Cast Insight Into Life of Old Community That is Most Interesting.

That among the ancient Babylonians, 3,000 years B. C., there were lawyers of rare ability, real estate men of more than ordinary shrewdness in driving and clinching a bargain and craftsmen with great ingenuity and pride in their work is the opinion of Eugene F. Ware, lawyer, poet and "Kansas."

In an address before the real estate men of Kansas City some time ago Mr. Ware made the statement that as long as 5,000 years ago men were dealing in real estate and that those men were as energetic traders and as keen in their transactions as the real estate dealers of to-day, says the Kansas City Star.

Mr. Ware explained the result of his research into the history of the Babylonians which has caused him to form this opinion. While traveling in Europe several years ago he came upon a number of clay tablets at the Louvre in Paris. The tablets are specimens uncovered by excavators who were searching for records of the ancient Babylonians. Several thousand of them have been found in the city of Nippur, capital of the ancient Babylonian state of that name. Nippur was one of the largest cities of Babylonia, situated on the banks of a canal connecting the Tigris and Euphrates rivers. The city was famous as the seat of worship of the god Bel, chief deity of the Babylonian pantheon.

A tablet owned by Mr. Ware is a replica of one in the Louvre. It resembles nothing so much as a cake of toilet soap. In color it is pure white and is covered with letters of the cuneiform alphabet. The Babylonians used tablets similar to the one owned by Mr. Ware for all their writing, and on these recorded deeds, leases and other real estate transactions. The tablets were made of white clay very much like that used by modern sculptors. They varied in size from specimens as small as a pea to others the size of a bushel basket. They were made by men who probably occupied the same position in the Babylonian business world as our modern public stenographers do. A lawyer would go to one of these scribes on the street corners, dictate his brief to him and the "stenographer in clay" would write on the tablet with a three-cornered stick. The tablet was then baked in a charcoal oven and was ready for use. The writing on the tablets was first translated by Sir Henry Rawlinson in 1854.

The tablet owned by Mr. Ware records a transaction between a jeweler and a real estate man. The real estate man purchased a gold ring with an emerald from the jeweler and the tablet records the sale and contains the jeweler's guaranty of the ring for 20 years.

Sagging at Shoulders.

Are you letting yourself sag a bit at the shoulders? Don't, if you want to keep either young or well. There is nothing so fatally easy as to grow round-shouldered. Keep a sharp watch on yourself to prevent it.

Each morning stand up against the jamb of a door and see if you have begun to sag. Also walk around your room each day with a piece of broomstick or short umbrella under each arm and brought across the back. This keeps the chest up and head well poised.

Deep breathing exercises, whenever you think of them, will help ward off those round shoulders, also making a practice to walk with the chest up. This last is the simplest of all preventives, for if it is always practised the rest will follow.

Useful Remodeling Suggestions.

Have you a last year's white linen suit which requires only a few new little touches to make it suitable for this summer? If so, follow one of the latest ideas from Paris, and introduce a bit of color by using colored cretonne for the trimming. Just a touch of it will be sufficient. Perhaps you will need to make only a new set of cuffs, and possibly an adjustable shawl collar, which may be worn or removed at your pleasure.

Then, again, you could introduce a renovating touch in your linen skirt-and-coat suit merely by changing the buttons. If your suit happened to have large pearl buttons last season rip them off, buy some molds and cover them with cretonne.

Whose Fault?

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Cleaned Out.

Walker—I wonder if there were any traps in old Rome? James—No fear. There were too many baths in that town.—Illustrated Life.

TRADE THAT WAS CALLED OFF.

Minister's Really Good Reason for Not Purchasing Horse.

"I saw an instance recently," remarked Senator Carter of Montana, "of one way to get along with Indians when it comes to a horse deal. One of the missionaries who makes occasional excursions into the Crow country by way of getting on friendly terms with the tribe, commissioned two of the men to get him a swift, strong and presentable riding horse, and he stipulated that he would pay a hundred dollars for the kind of horse described. The braves soon appeared with a horse, swift, strong and a splendid looking animal, but, alas! so vicious that he had to be clubbed about to inensensibility before he would be saddled. Then the Indians blindfolded him to get on the bridge.

"The missionary looked on, anything, but edified by the conduct of the braves and fierce jumper of the horse. Still, the Indians insisted that they had brought the horse described and they demanded the hundred. The missionary explained that though the horse could go like the wind, the rider ran the risk of having his neck broken before he dismounted. More than that, the missionary was not strong enough to beat the horse as the Indians had. Besides, he finished tearfully, 'How can I blindfold the horse whenever I want to mount?' The Indians replied that all he had to do was to take off his shirt and tie it over the horse's head. 'But conceive,' said the man of God, 'how I would look being compelled to take off my shirt every time I got on the horse. Why, you Indians know that I go among whites as well as Indians, and women as well as men. It would cover me with shame to pull off my shirt that way. I cannot buy this horse.' The Crows thought it over and finally gave up on the ground that it would not be seemly for the preacher to have to take off his garments promiscuously, so the deal was off amicably."

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TO MEET MR. TAFT

SUB-COMMITTEE GOES TO CINCINNATI TO CONFER REGARDING A CHAIRMAN.

MAY BE HITCHCOCK OR VORYS

Friends of Both Men Active in Their Behalf—Candidate's Preference Will Decide the Matter.

Chicago, June 20.—Eight members of the Republican national committee left Chicago Friday for Cincinnati to confer with Secretary Taft concerning the election of a national chairman to manage the Republican campaign. The sub-committee was appointed at the suggestion of Secretary Taft, who is said to be somewhat embarrassed by appeals from his friends in Ohio for the appointment of Arthur I. Vorys or of Myron T. Herrick of that state, and by the demand made in a petition by a majority of the members of the national committee for the appointment of Frank H. Hitchcock. The latter because of his success in the Taft campaign for delegates, is being



FRANK H. HITCHCOCK. Who May Manage the Campaign for Secretary Taft.

strongly pushed by his friends, while those who are personally attached to Mr. Vorys have announced that they intend to make every possible effort in his behalf.

Congressman James S. Sherman of New York, who was Friday nominated for vice president, accompanied the sub-committee to Cincinnati.

The men who will confer with Secretary Taft on the chairmanship question are Powell Clayton, Arkansas; Myron T. Herrick, Ohio; Frank B. Kellogg, Minnesota; Charles Nagel, Missouri; E. E. Hart, Iowa; Senator W. E. Borah, Idaho; E. C. Duncan, North Carolina, and Frank O. Lowden, Illinois. The sub-committee was selected when the new national committee met for organization immediately after the adjournment of the convention. Friends of Hitchcock insist that more than half of the eight members will vote to elect him chairman while the advocates of Vorys say that five members favor the election of the latter, or of some man other than Hitchcock. It is conceded, however, that the chairmanship depends absolutely upon the wishes of Mr. Taft who has not publicly expressed any preference. Nevertheless he has indicated that the question is one of practical politics and that no selection will be made for sentimental reasons.

Cincinnati, June 20.—The train on which Secretary Taft is coming to his home town from the national capitol is due here at 8:05 Saturday morning 40 minutes later than the train from Chicago on which his brother Charles P. Taft and others will come from the national Republican convention. No formal welcome home for the secretary has been prepared and such greeting as will be given when his train arrives will be of an informal sort. It is understood that later in the summer local Democrats will give him a reception, intending it to be entirely free from political feeling and as a simple expression of their personal friendliness for a prominent son of Cincinnati.

A Resources Commission Meeting. Chicago, June 20.—The executive committee of the National Resources commission, which organization is an outgrowth of the recent conference of governors at the White House, met here Friday in conjunction with the Inland Waterways commission. The gathering was preliminary in nature, the scope of the work to be undertaken and the best methods of obtaining wide support for the movement being discussed. It was decided that the first full meeting of the Resources commission shall be held in Washington on December 1.

Severe Ohio Storm. Steubenville, O., June 20.—Two women were seriously hurt and many buildings were damaged by a storm which struck this city Friday evening. Three brick houses on High street were wrecked. Hundreds of other houses were unroofed or otherwise damaged.

The Democratic convention of the Fourth North Carolina district unanimously nominated Edward W. Pou of Johnson county for its fifth term in congress. The delegates to the Denver convention were instructed to vote for William J. Bryan.

WRIGHT TO SUCCEED TAFT

CHANGE WILL TAKE PLACE ON JUNE 30 NEXT.

A White House Statement Regarding the Reasons for the Appointment.

Washington, June 20.—Secretary Taft presented to the president Friday his resignation to take effect June 30 and it was announced at the White House that Luke E. Wright of Tennessee will be appointed secretary of war to succeed Mr. Taft. The statement given out at the



GEN. LUKE E. WRIGHT. Who is to Succeed William H. Taft as Secretary of War.

White House concerning Mr. Wright's appointment says:

"As Philippine commissioner and later as vice governor and governor, he won the affection and regard of the army to a high degree and many of the most distinguished of the men who served in the army at the time he was in the Philippines have urged his appointment because they felt in a peculiar way that he was their champion and in a peculiar way understood them and their needs. This is especially true as regards the men who were union veterans of the Civil war, for these grew to feel that he was always specially interested in their welfare.

"Moreover, his great administrative and legal ability both peculiarly fit him to deal with the problems in the Philippines, Panama, and Cuba; for the work of the war department is now such that only a man with special fitness and unusual training is able to do justice to it. Of all the men in the country, the president feels that Luke Wright is the man best equipped to take up the work of the department which for the last seven years has been under the control first of Root and then of Taft.

"As a young man he was a captain in the confederate army. He is one of the leading lawyers not only of his state, but of the entire south. He has also been foremost in advocating and insisting upon fair treatment for the colored people.

He was appointed by President McKinley as one of the Philippine commissioners and enjoyed President McKinley's highest confidence, being selected as one of the southerners who were in sympathy with his administration. By President Roosevelt he was promoted first to be vice governor and then governor of the Philippines and was afterwards made first ambassador to Japan. In all positions he served with signal fidelity and ability and has been in hearty and outspoken agreement with the administration in all its main policies."

MISSING KANSAN FOUND

G. W. Harrison Who Disappeared in Kansas City Located.

Topeka, Kan., June 20.—George W. Harrison of Topeka, who disappeared from the Hudson-Kimberly Printing company in Kansas City early in January, has been found in San Diego, Cal. His mind is a complete blank on all events previous to January. Harrison formerly owned a paper in Garden City, Kan., and in an anti-gambling crusade there he was attacked and beaten by a gambler. At times since then he has been deranged. His wife here, believing that her husband had wandered away, has searched for him. Harrison says that his name is A. H. Gresham, but people who know him wrote to his wife here, sending a photograph of him. Money has been sent to bring him to Topeka.

Three Victims of War Game.

New York, June 20.—Two more deaths in the post hospital at Fort Wadsworth Friday brought the casualties of the mimic war to three. The dead are John Welsh, George Harvey and James McDowell, all members of the Ninth regiment, New York national guard.

An Oklahoma Reprieve.

Guthrie, Ok., June 20.—Gov. Haskell Friday night granted a 60-day reprieve to John Hopkins, sentenced to be hanged in Miami June 26 for the murder of his sweetheart, to await an appeal in the supreme court.

Army Officer's Trial Concluded.

Leavenworth, Kan., June 20.—The trial of Capt. Charles M. Murphy, Thirtieth Infantry, closed here Friday morning and the case is now before the court in secret session.

Passenger service over the Atlanta, Birmingham & Atlantic railway was inaugurated Friday.

LUMBER RATES CUT

COMMERCE COMMISSION ORDERS SWEEPING REDUCTIONS WEST OF MISSOURI RIVER.

THEY WERE UNREASONABLE

A Five Per Cent Reduction in Advanced Rates in the East as Well as Other Changes Ordered.

Washington, June 20.—Sweeping reductions in lumber rates west of the Missouri river and a 5 per cent reduction in the advanced rates in the east as well as other changes in the tariff, are ordered under decisions announced by the Interstate Commerce commission Friday.

In the cases of the Oregon and Washington Lumber Manufacturers' association against the Union Pacific and other roads, Pacific coast lumber manufacturers' associations and others against the Northern Pacific and others, and the Southwest Washington Lumber Manufacturers' association against the Northern Pacific, involving a general advance in lumber rates, in many cases 20 and 25 per cent, from north Pacific coast territory to points east thereof, which became effective November last the commission makes a geographic decision in its action. On the ground of unreasonableness it orders restoration of the previous rates west of a line drawn from Pembina, North Dakota, through Grand Forks, Council Bluffs, Kansas City and Sioux City, to Port Arthur, Texas, along the Kansas City Southern railway, and including all points east of that line "which now take the same rates as any point between and including Sioux City and Kansas City."

A part of the increase to the more distant markets lying east of the Missouri river is permitted to stand. Differential rates from Spokane rate group points, Montana-Oregon group rate points and Hood river, Ellensburg and Leavenworth districts, which lie east of the Cascade mountains, embracing parts of Washington and Oregon, and all of Idaho, to eastern territory are established under a decision in the case of Potlatch Lumber company, and others, against the Northern Pacific and other roads. Rates from the Spokane district are ordered lower than from the Pacific coast and the commission directs more uniform differentials under the coast rates than were in effect prior to last November.

In the case of the Western Oregon Lumber Manufacturers' association against the Southern Pacific company, the commission decides that the advance of \$5 per ton from all mills in the Willamette valley, not including Portland, is unjust and unreasonable, that from both the east and west banks south of Corvallis, the rate should not exceed \$3.40 per ton and upon the west bank north of Corvallis, \$3.65 per ton. Because of the water rate the Portland rate is not reduced.

In the case of the Pacific Coast Manufacturers' association against the Northern Pacific and other roads, the commission declines to establish another through route from Washington to Colorado common points and eastern destinations. It requires, however, the Northern Pacific railway, the Northern Pacific Terminal company of Oregon, the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company, the Oregon Short Line and the Union Pacific to establish through rates for lumber from the Northern Pacific line in Washington, north of Portland, as far as Seattle, through Portland to Ogden and Salt Lake City and Utah common points and a 40 cents per hundred weight rate on fir and spruce lumber, and 50 cents per hundred weight on cedar lumber and shingles prescribed for through traffic.

Chairman Knapp and Commissioner Harlan dissented from the conclusions reached by the majority in these cases on the ground that most of the advance in rates was reasonable.

Probing Oklahoma Land Frauds.

Muskogee, Ok., June 20.—With four assistants and 30 men under him, S. W. Finch, examiner of the department of justice, began work here Friday investigating into alleged fraudulent land titles in Oklahoma. A report will be made on each case filed in the cities throughout the state and the department at Washington will then instruct the United States attorney here on what action to then pursue.

Big Damage Suit Settled.

Boston, Mass., June 20.—The \$50,000,000 suit of Cadwallader M. Raymond against Henry H. Rogers of New York was closed in the supreme court Friday by the judgment for the defendant by agreement. Raymond was assignee of the claim that the late Benjamin F. Greenough of New York had against Rogers and his former partner, the late Charles Pratt.

Sherman's Home Town Jubilates.

Utica, N. Y., June 20.—The news of James S. Sherman's nomination for vice president was received in this, his home city, Friday with the ringing of bells, the firing of cannon and a general display of flags.

Canadian Farmer a Hard Worker.

The Canadian farmer works from 12 to 16 hours per day in the busy season.

ANOTHER MINE DISASTER

THREE DEAD AND SEVEN INJURED IN PENNSYLVANIA.

Only a Small Part of Usual Force at Work When Explosion Occurred.

Monongahela, Pa., June 20.—Three miners are dead, two others perhaps fatally burned and 15 entombed, many of whom are supposed to be dead from an explosion at the Ellsworth No. 1 mine of the Pittsburg Coal company near here Friday. It is feared the entombed men also are dead. Of the victims taken from the mine, John Beal is the only identified. The others are foreigners whose features were scorched to be recognized. The two burned men were hurried to the hospital here where it was said they will probably die. Little is known as to the cause of the explosion. It occurred when all but 30 miners working on the day shift had left the workings. Of this number, 15 were near the mouth of the slope and rushed out before the force of the explosion reached them. Had the explosion occurred five minutes earlier the entire force of over 600 men would have been entrapped with probably many fatalities.

Later reports from Ellsworth, Pa., are to the effect that all the men are out of the mine, the total number of victims being ten, three of whom are dead. The injured men, both named Peter Hazel, cousins, are at the hospital here terribly burned. Five other injured were taken out of the mine several hours later.

WRECK AT TRENTON, MO.

Passenger Train Goes Down Six-Foot Embankment.

Trenton, Mo., June 20.—At 1:30 p. m. Friday a passenger train on the Quincy, Omaha and Kansas City railroad jumped the track in the Trenton yards and rolled down a six-foot embankment, one car turning turtle and 12 passengers were hurt.

The injured: Mrs. W. S. Osborne of Reger, Mo., fractured skull and internal injuries, will die; Mrs. W. A. Beard, Reger, daughter of Mrs. Osborne, internal injuries, recovery doubtful; T. J. Gregory, Sheldon Grove, Ill., shoulder broken and several fractured ribs, also hurt internally, serious; Mrs. Lottie Thompson, daughter of Mr. Gregory, hurt in the chest and upper back, not serious; Mrs. J. L. Terry of Plattsburg, wrist wrenched, slight; Mrs. Jno. Lehr, Sydney, Iowa, internal injuries and right arm broken, in critical condition; Anna Lehr, fractured skull; Miss Maud Lehr, back hurt; Ben Sewall, Milan, Mo., brakeman, leg broken; Rev. J. R. Wright, Mrs. J. C. Stevenson, and J. E. Ford, Trenton, slightly hurt.

The accident was caused by a defective car wheel. The train was running slowly.

Rains in Missouri, Too.

Sedalia, Mo., June 20.—Another rain Friday morning has cost the farmers of central Missouri dearly. The wheat crop has been ready to harvest for several days, but owing to continued rains it has been impossible to run a binder in the fields. Much of the grain is down and it is already beginning to sprout. Not all of the corn has been planted and such of the crop as is up cannot be worked owing to wet grounds. Friday makes the fifty-sixth rain day in this section since April 1.

Attorneys General to Confer.

Topeka, Kan., June 20.—Fred S. Jackson, attorney general, is planning for a conference with Attorney General West of Oklahoma and Herbert S. Hadley, attorney general of Missouri, at an early date. It has not been definitely determined when or where this conference will be held, but it probably will be in the next month. Anti-trust suits in which the three attorneys general are interested will be discussed.

Roosevelts to Oyster Bay.

Washington, June 20.—All preparations have been made for the president's departure for Oyster Bay Saturday morning. He will go on a special train accompanied by Mrs. Roosevelt and other members of his family and will reach Oyster Bay about 5:35 o'clock. Secretary and Mrs. Loeb and officials and employees of the White House to the number of about 30 will accompany the president.

Vetoed a Franchise.

Minneapolis, Minn., June 20.—Mayor Haynes Friday vetoed an ordinance granting a 30-year franchise to the Minneapolis General Electric company. In his veto message he said that the only thing that would compel good service and reasonable rates from the company was a renewal of its franchise every 10 or 15 years.

A Kansan's Body Recovered.

Perry, Kan., June 20.—The body of C. W. Roberts, who was drowned in the Delaware river about half a mile south of this place June 11, has been found in a pile of drift near where the fatal accident occurred. The body was sent to Oskaloosa, Kan., for burial.

Santa Fe Shops Closed.

Topeka, Kan., June 20.—Santa Fe locomotive shops over the entire system were Friday afternoon ordered closed till June 23. This will affect over 1,000 men in Topeka. Scarcity of work is given as the cause.

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